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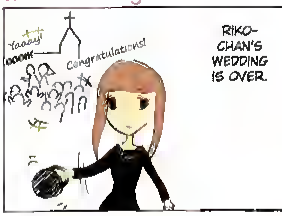
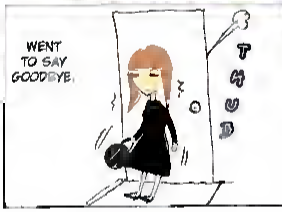

Yaaay!
Congratulations!
RIKO-CHAN'S WEDDING IS OVER.

I
You aren't going to the reception, Mica?
Good job on your speech
Right.
See you!


WENT TO SAY GOODBYE.
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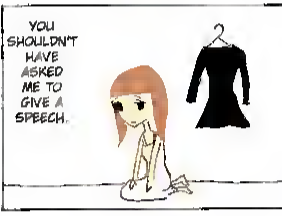
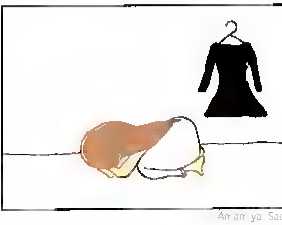
OH, RIKO-CHAN.


YOU SHOULDN'T HAVE ASKED ME TO GIVE A SPEECH.

"ON THIS OCCASION..."



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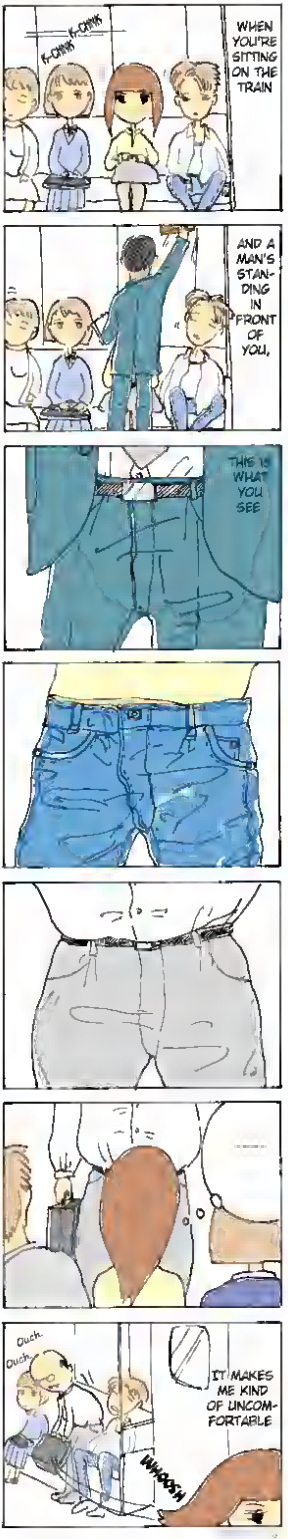
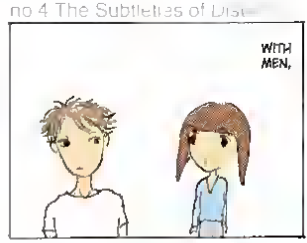

K-CHUK
K-CHUK
WHEN YOU'RE SITTING ON THE TRAIN
AND A MAN'S STANDING IN FRONT OF YOU,
THIS IS WHAT YOU SEE
Ouch.
Ouch.
IT MAKES ME KIND OF UNCOMFORTABLE
WHOOSH

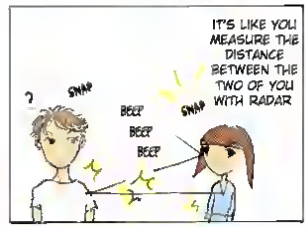
WHEN PLICA MEETS A COOL WOMAN
Nice to meet ya
This is Nakiri-san.
BAM!!

WHO LIKES WOMEN
That will make me too narrow-minded!
It isn't that I don't like men at all.
Yeah.

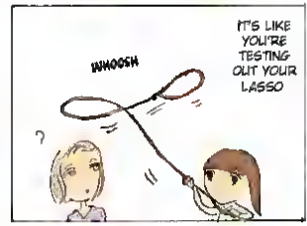
BUT IS COMPLETELY OUT OF HER LEAGUE,
STARE

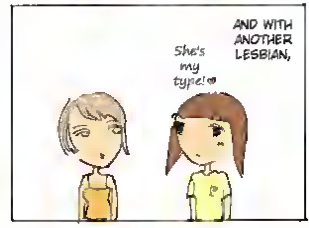
IT'S WORSE THAN IF THE WOMEN WERE STRAIGHT.
BLUSH
Got ditched.

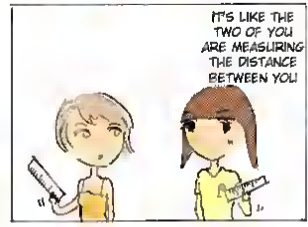

WITH MEN,


IT'S LIKE YOU MEASURE THE DISTANCE BETWEEN THE TWO OF YOU WITH RADAR
?
SNAP
BEEP
BEEP
BEEP
SNAP

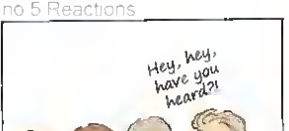
WITH THE STRAIGHT WOMEN YOU LIKE,


IT'S LIKE YOU'RE TESTING OUT YOUR LASSO
WHOOSH
?


AND WITH ANOTHER LESBIAN,
She's my type!

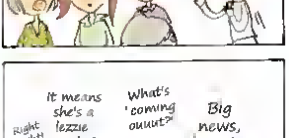

IT'S LIKE THE TWO OF YOU ARE MEASURING THE DISTANCE BETWEEN YOU!

DO YOU EVER FEEL THAT WAY?
Maybe there's a little too much space between us
WITH INVISIBLE RULERS


Hey, hey, have you heard?!

Whaaaat?! Finally?
Apparently Michiko came ouuut!

Right right!
It means she's a lezzie right?
What's 'coming ouuut?'
Big news, isn't it?
Yeah.


Oh, scary! Come on to me before! Better watch ouuut!
Come to think of it I think she came before!
So she's with another woman?
What's wrong Yuki?
Yes that's what "coming out" means!

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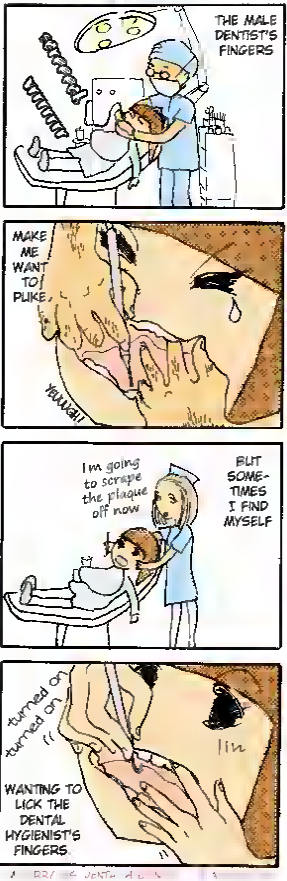
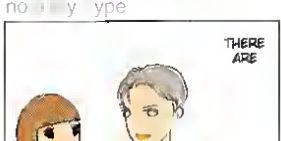
I TRIED DOING IT WITH A GUY ONCE
UHK!
Zzz
STARE
Mm? Again?
Geez it's like I'm the girl here
OH? THAT WAS PRETTY EASY!
BUT THIS ISN'T THE FEELING THAT I WANT
?


THE MALE DENTIST'S FINGERS
MAKE ME WANT TO PUKE.
YUUUCK!!
I'm going to scrape the plaque off now
BUT SOMETIMES I FIND MYSELF
turned on
turned on
WANTING TO LICK THE DENTAL HYGIENIST'S FINGERS.

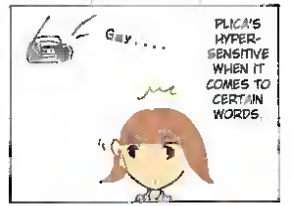
I LIKE TO BRUSH MY TEETH IN THE BATH
SHKA
SHKA
BUT WHEN I PUT MY SHOULDERS UNDERWATER,
Ohhh, this is paradise!
HOT WATER COMES UP AND SPLASHES ME
PF!
SPLASH
SO MY SHOULDERS ARE ALWAYS A LITTLE COLD
Well..I guess it's good enough


THERE ARE

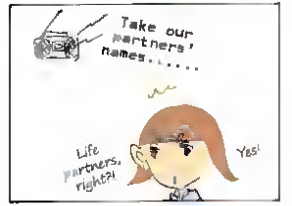
SOME GUYS I LIKE,
let me introduce you
Oh

BUT SOME OF THOSE GUYS HAVE REALLY GORGEOUS WIVES
THIS is my wife
Thank you for always being good to my husband
He's always good to me as well

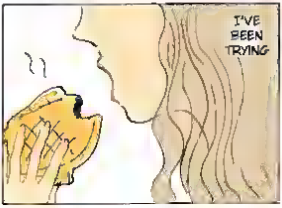
WHO ARE TOTALLY MY TYPE
Yes, I'd love to!
Please come over and visit us sometime

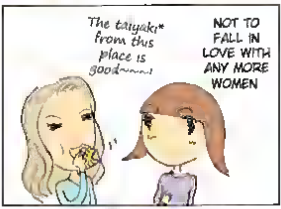

Gay....
PLICA'S HYPER-SENSITIVE WHEN IT COMES TO CERTAIN WORDS.

After that, his live-in girlfriend save.....
Oh! misheard.

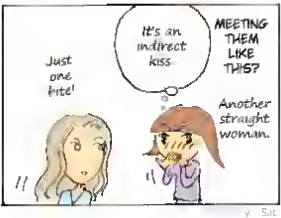

Take our partners' names.....
Life partners, right?!
Yes!

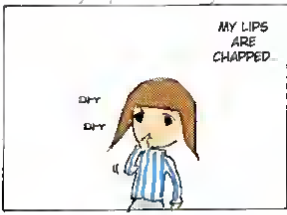
The problem of women who don't take their husbands' names...
Hmph! Married couples, huh?





NOTE: A FISH-SHAPED CAKE USUALLY FILLED WITH RED BEAN PASTE




MY LIPS ARE CHAPPED
DRY
DRY

HOW LONG HAS IT BEEN SINCE I'VE KISSED SOMEONE?
Gotta put some lip balm on

I HAVE A LOT OF BELLY-BUTTON LINT

How long ago did I clear it out?
HOW LONG HAS IT BEEN SINCE I'VE GOTTEN LAID?

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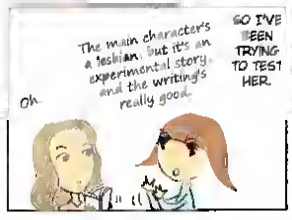
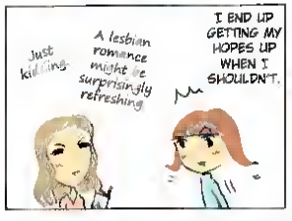
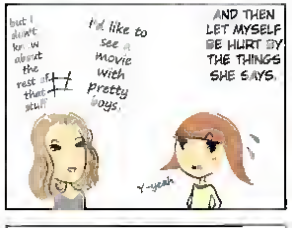
Yuuum!
I can't get her out of my head.
I'M IN LOVE WITH MISA-CHAN

What's it about?
This looks interesting. Want to read it?
BUT I CAN'T JUST TELL HER ABOUT MY FEELINGS.


Oh.
The main character's a lesbian. But it's an experimental story, and the writing's really good.
SO I'VE BEEN TRYING TO TEST HER.


Just kidding.
A lesbian romance might be surprisingly refreshing.
I END UP GETTING MY HOPES UP WHEN I SHOULDN'T.

Wow.
I heard there's a Gay and Lesbian Film Festival, too.
I PRETEND TO BE STRAIGHT.


but I don't know about the rest of that stuff.
I'd like to see a movie with pretty boys.
AND THEN LET MYSELF BE HURT BY THE THINGS SHE SAYS.
Y-yeah

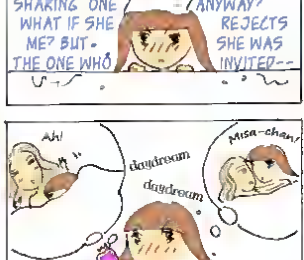
Are you interested in that sort of thing, Plica?
People don't usually go to stuff like that, huh?
IT REALLY GETS ME DOWN.

MISAE-CHAN'S BIRTHDAY IS JUST AROUND THE CORNER.
WOULD THESE BE TOO SUGGESTIVE?
WOULD THIS BE GOING OVERBOARD?
I would like to give her roses sometime though.
Thanks!
I had a really rough time choosing it...
??

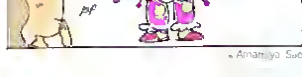
Ohhh, that was such a good movie--!
Cinema
Late Show

Since it's so late... want to spend the night over at my place?
Really?!

Go ahead and use the shower first.
Thanks.
Here's some Pajamas and a towel


MISA-CHAN WAS THE ONE WHO INVITED ME TO STAY OVER, RIGHT?
SHOULD I JUST GET UP AND GO TO HER BED AFTER WE'VE GONE TO BED? OR MAYBE WE'LL BE SHARING ONE ANYWAY? WHAT IF SHE REJECTS ME? BUT- SHE WAS THE ONE WHO INVITED--

Ah!
daydream
daydream
Misa-chan!


WHY?!
They're just perfect for you Plica!
pp

Hey, Misa-chan, want to _o on a trip together next ye_r?

We have to decide now.

How's Golden Week* for you?

Oh, whose?

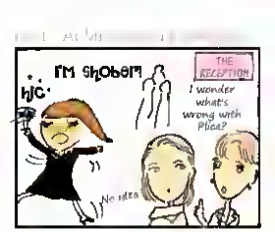
That's no good, the wedding's then.

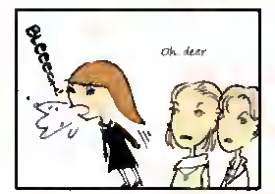
Mine.

Mukey

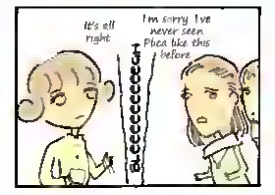
NOTE: A WEEK OF HOLIDAYS AROUND THE BEGINNING OF MAY. MANY PEOPLE TAKE THE WHOLE WEEK OFF, AND IT'S A POPULAR TIME TO TRAVEL.

Aishiya Sac

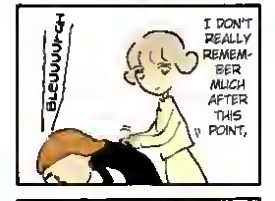

I'M SHOCK!
HIC.
THE RECEPTION
I wonder what's wrong with Phica?
No idea

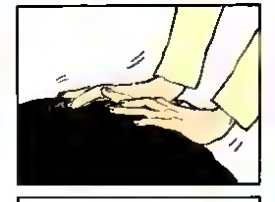

BLECCCH
Oh, dear

I didn't know She threw up on a stranger
Who's that?
BLECCCH....


It's all right
I'm sorry I've never seen Phica like this before
BLECCCCCCCCCH

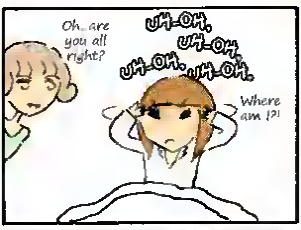
Let's go to the bathroom.
I'm sorry
You sure you're all right?
Urgh.....


BLEUUUUCH
I DON'T REALLY REMEMBER MUCH AFTER THIS POINT,



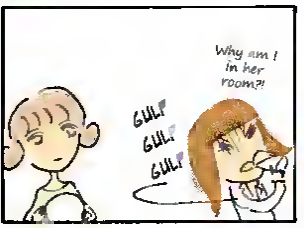
BUT I DO REMEMBER HOW GOOD HER HANDS FELT

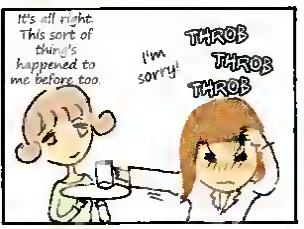
SIT UP


Oh, are you all right?
UH-OH. UH-OH. UH-OH. UH-OH.
Where am I?!

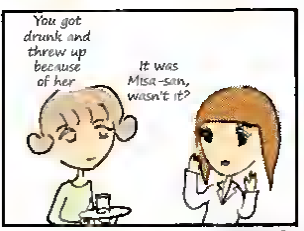
UH-OH. UH-OH. UH-OH. UH-OH.
You have a hangover, right?
Who are you...? I don't remember.

OHHH CRAP. OHHH CRAP. OHHH CRAP.
GASP


Why am I in her room?!
GULP GULP GULP


It's all right. This sort of thing's happened to me before too.
I'm sorry!
THROB THROB THROB

Of course not!
pf
You mean you've thrown up on someone before?


You got drunk and threw up because of her
It was Misa-san, wasn't it?

I'm terribly sorry for my rudeness the other day!
Come on in.
I've brought you a cake.

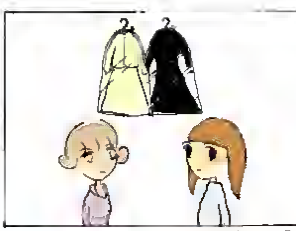
Coffee or tea?
nervous
T-tea.

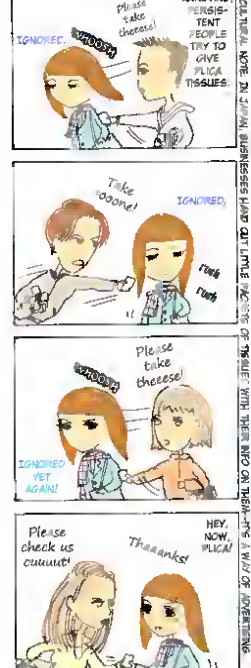
She even got my dress dry-cleaned!
gasp

Ummm... Were they able to get the stain out?
Yes, it's fine now.
Thanks.

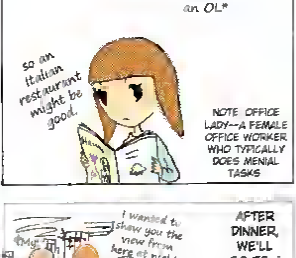
It looks like they're holding hands.
You're right.

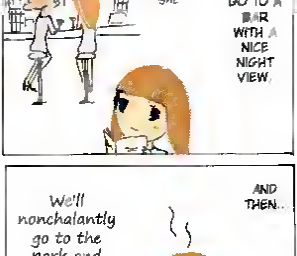
C'mon this way
WAS GOING TO TAKE PLICA'S DRESS OUT SOME-WHERE.
IT LOOKED LIKE MARI-CHIN'S DRESS




CULTURAL NOTE: IN JAPAN, BUSINESSES HAND OUT LITTLE PACKETS OF TISSUES WITH THEIR INFO ON THEM. IT'S A WAY OF ADVERTISING
ANNOYING, PERSISTENT PEOPLE TRY TO GIVE YUICA TISSUES.
Please take theeese!
IGNORED.
WOOSH
Take tooone!
IGNORED.
FWIP FWIP
Please take theeese!
WOOSH
IGNORED YET AGAIN!
Please check us cuuuut!
Thaaanks!
HEY, NOW, YUICA!

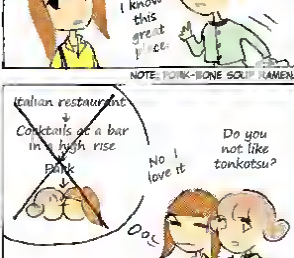
Sure.
Want to have dinner together sometime?

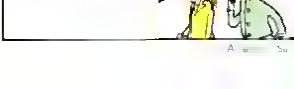

Mari-chan's an OL*
so an Italian restaurant might be good.
NOTE: OFFICE LADY--A FEMALE OFFICE WORKER WHO TYPICALLY DOES MENIAL TASKS


I wanted to show you the view from here at night
AFTER DINNER, WE'LL GO TO A BAR WITH A NICE NIGHT VIEW.

We'll nonchalantly go to the park and kiss! ♡
AND THEN..
Yeah, right. It's probably too much for that, right?

THE BIG DAY.
Sorry, did you wait long?
Nope.


Hey, how about tonkotsu ramen?
Huh?
I know this great place.
NOTE: PORK-BONE SOUP RAMEN


Italian restaurant
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Cocktails at a bar in a high rise
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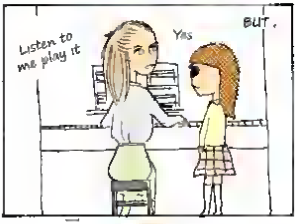
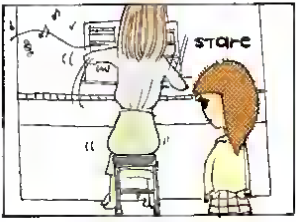
Park
No, I love it
Do you not like tonkotsu?

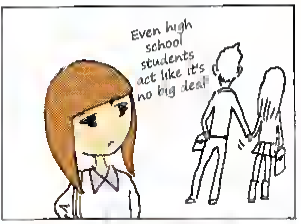
no 22 Piano Lesson



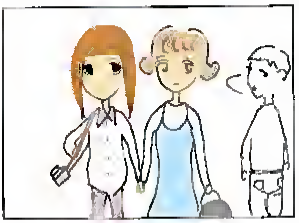


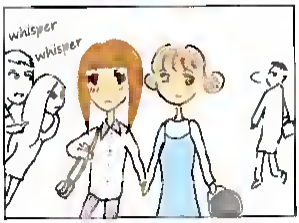
Aiai ya Sat

Get a room!

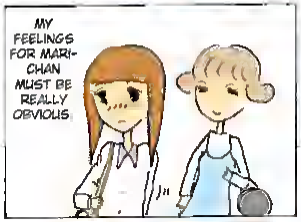

Even high school students act like it's no big deal!

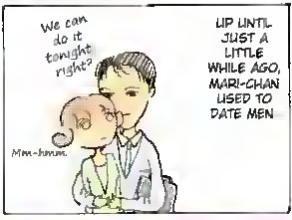
...re you jealous of them? Want to hold hands?

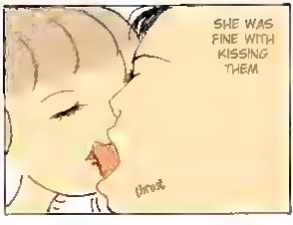



whisper
whisper

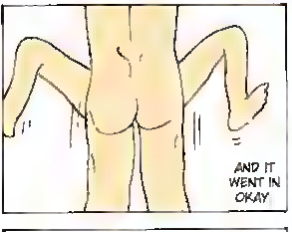
W-
wouldn't want to get lost in the crowd!
stare
stare

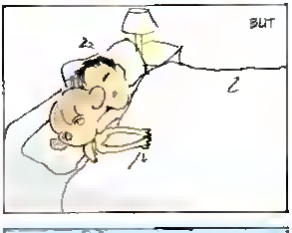

MY FEELINGS FOR MARI-CHAN MUST BE REALLY OBVIOUS


We can do it tonight, right?
Mm-hmm.
UP UNTIL JUST A LITTLE WHILE AGO, MARI-CHAN USED TO DATE MEN.


SHE WAS FINE WITH KISSING THEM
Uhnn

SHE DIDN'T HAVE A PROBLEM SUCKING THEM OFF,


AND IT WENT IN OKAY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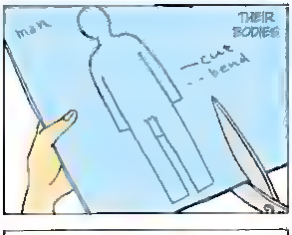
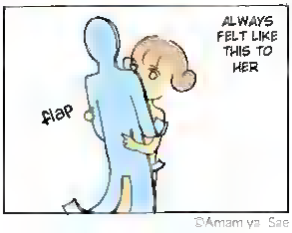

man
THEIR BODIES
—cue
bend


ALWAYS FELT LIKE THIS TO HER
flap

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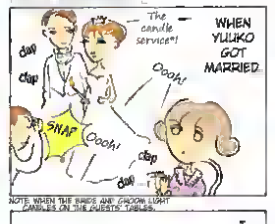
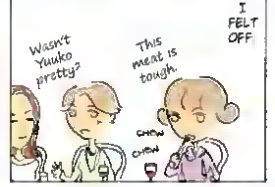
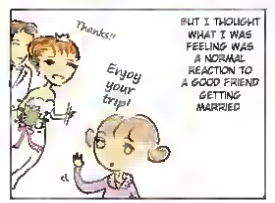

WHEN YUUKO GOT MARRIED
The candle service?!
Oooh!
clap clap
SNAP
Oooh!
clap clap
NOTE: WHEN THE BRIDE AND GROOM LIGHT CANDLES ON THE GUESTS' TABLES.

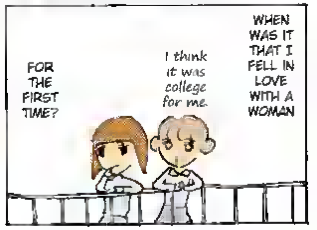

I FELT OFF
Wasn't Yuuko pretty?
This meat is tough.
CHEW CHEW

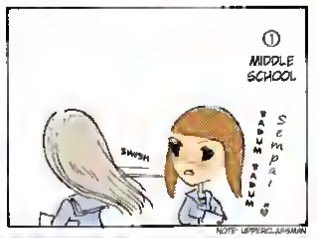

Thanks!!
Enjoy your trip!
BUT I THOUGHT WHAT I WAS FEELING WAS A NORMAL REACTION TO A GOOD FRIEND GETTING MARRIED

Hmph!
SMACK!

Oomph

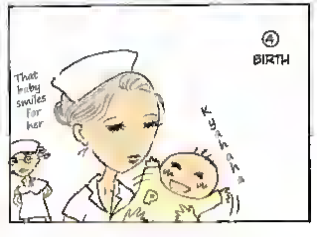
Yup, I'm blood type A*.
NOTE: PEOPLE WITH BLOOD TYPE A ARE SAID TO BE SERIOUS, PERFECTIONISTIC, AND SENSITIVE.


FOR THE FIRST TIME?
I think it was college for me.
WHEN WAS IT THAT I FELL IN LOVE WITH A WOMAN


① MIDDLE SCHOOL
SWISH
TADUM TADUM
Sempai ♥
NOTE: UPPERCLASSMAN

Let's go to the bathroom together, Pico-chan.
② ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Go on and play with the others.
CLING
Sensei~
③ KINDERGARTEN
NOTE: TEACHER


That baby smiles for her
Kyaaaa
④ BIRTH

I'M NOT REALLY SURE

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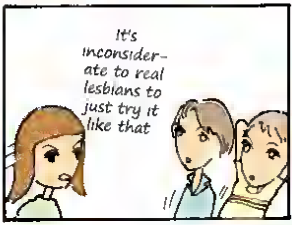
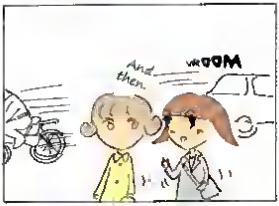
Whaaat? Really?
GRR
Maybe I should try that lezzie thing some-time Yeah right

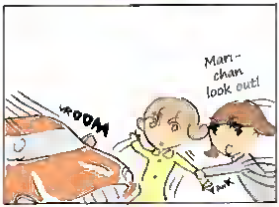

It's inconsider-ate to real lesbians to just try it like that

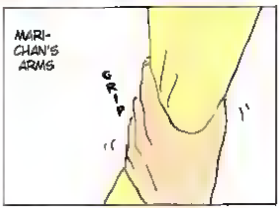
START
Hey Plica, don't tell us you're—

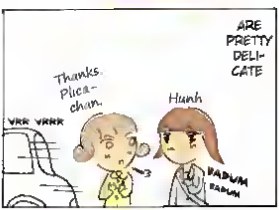
HEY, NOW, PLICA-CHAN—
I-I have some friends that are.
Hmmmm

I'm enjoying my work right now!
You're not getting married yet, Plica?
I like it so much. I'd rather have a wife than a husband right now
Ahaha I hear you!
I can't seem to get a boy-friend...
Realllly?
Just kid-ding
Maybe I'll take you up on that!
If I were a guy, you'd totally be the type of woman I'd marry
What a shame!
"I LIKE WOMEN."
THOSE WORDS WERE HIDDEN IN MY JOKES

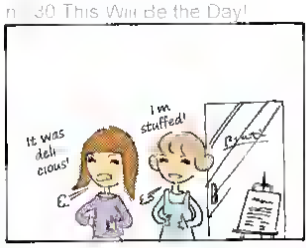

And then...
VROOM


Mari-chan look out!
VROOM


MARI-CHAN'S ARMS
GRIP


ARE PRETTY DELI-CATE
Thanks Plica-chan.
Hunh
VRR VRRR
BADUM BADUM

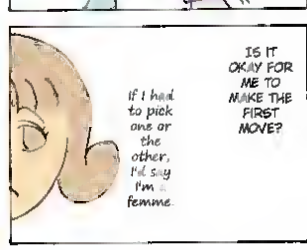
Ai-mi-yo Soo


It was delicious!
I'm stuffed!

Want to take a walk?
Sure.

But if I scare her off, I'll never see her again.
IF I GET MY WAY, THIS WILL BE THE DAY I FINALLY KISS MARI-CHAN.

What are you saying?
hehe
Hey, do you not want to go home tonight?


If I had to pick one or the other, I'd say I'm a femme.
IS IT OKAY FOR ME TO MAKE THE FIRST MOVE?

Uhhmm...

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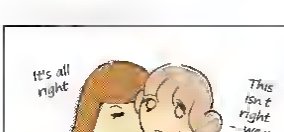
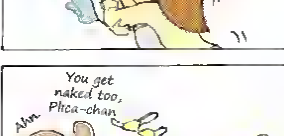
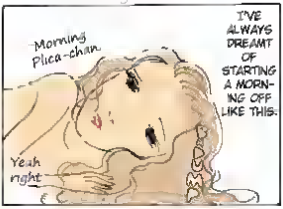
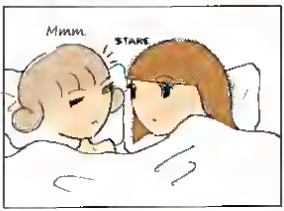

It's all right
This isn't right - we're both women.
I'm scared.

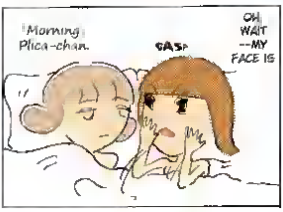
Ah! Take it slow
Be gentle

You get naked too, Phca-chan
Ahn
HUG


What's wrong? Let's take our pajamas off
You're not going too?
I I am I just had all these crazy ideas.
S R I P


Morning Plica-chan.
Yeah right
I'VE ALWAYS DREAMT OF STARTING A MORNING OFF LIKE THIS.


Mmm.
STARE


Morning Plica-chan.
GASP
OH WAIT --MY FACE IS

?
Don't look at me
ALL SWOLLEN FIRST THING IN THE MORNING

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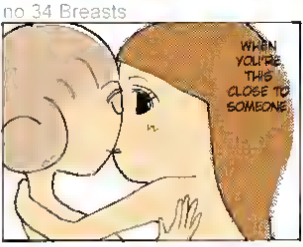
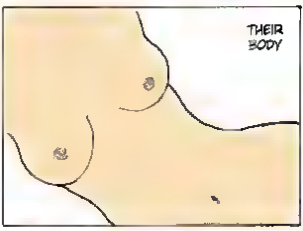
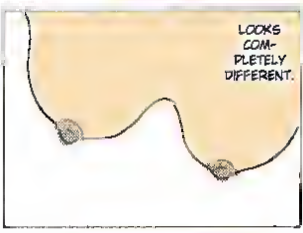
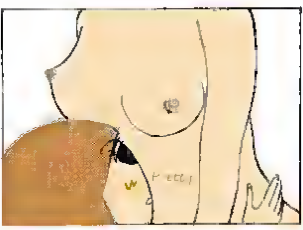
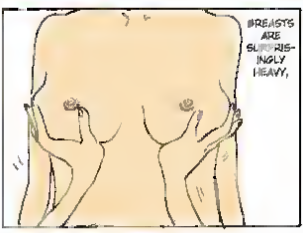
I'll take the first shower
Okay
Plica-chan, get me the shampoooo?
Got it?
Here.
Thanks.
I'M STILL SHY.
We've slept together, so why am I...

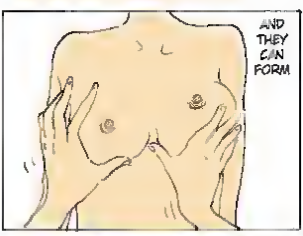

WHEN YOU'RE THIS CLOSE TO SOMEONE


THEIR BODY


LOOKS COM-PLETELY DIFFERENT.




BREASTS ARE SURPRIS-INGLY HEAVY,


AND THEY CAN FORM

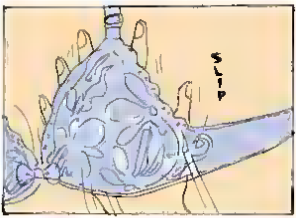
ALL DIF-FERENT KINDS OF SHAPES.
Don't play with them.
I'll put my head in be tween

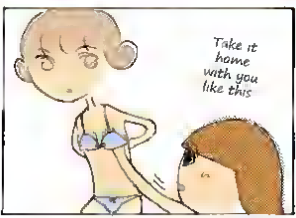
WHEN I'M DOING THINGS TO MARI-CHAN,
I DO FEEL A BIT LIKE A "SEME"*
NOTE: TOP—MAINLY USED IN BOYS' LOVE MANGA.
BUT NOT A MAN.
WHEN I'M ON THE BOTTOM, THOUGH,
I PARTICU-LARLY FEEL LIKE
I'VE BECOME A WOMAN (WELL, I AM A WOMAN, BUT)
Why?
SILENCE

no ob like us

I have to go
What? Already?

I have to be up early tomorrow
Stay over?


SLIP


Take it home with you like this

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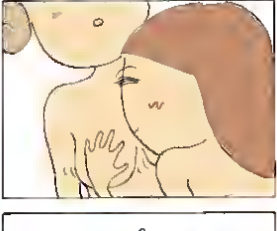

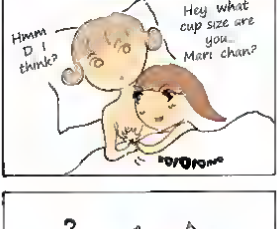

NOTE: CUP SIZES IN JAPAN ARE GENERALLY A SIZE SMALLER THAN IN THE US. SO A 'B' IN JAPAN WOULD BE A C IN THE US

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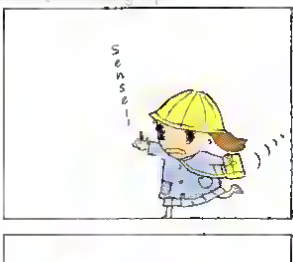
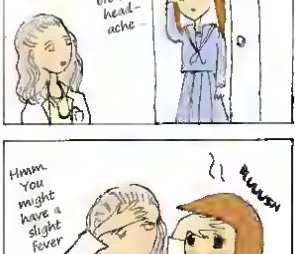

Sensei!

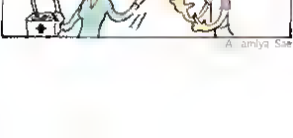
I have a booboo on my finger!

There you go
Thanks.
AAAAZE


Sensei, I have a bit of a head-ache
Nurse's office

Hmm. You might have a slight fever
BLUUUSH

I have a splinter.
Mari-chaaaan!


LET'S GROW UP A BIT, HM, PLICA-CHAN?
Here want to use these?
Huh?

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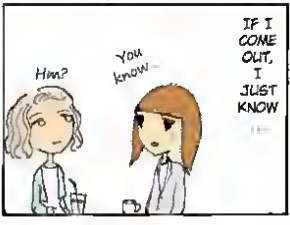
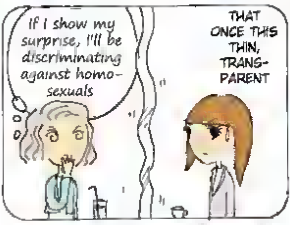
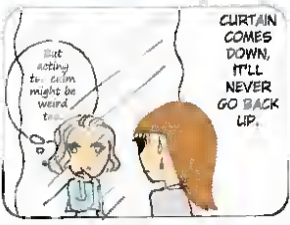
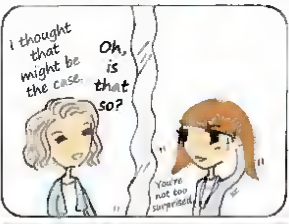

Hm?
You know...
IF I COME OUT, I JUST KNOW

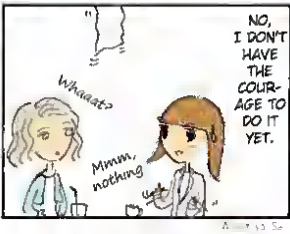
I like women.

SHHHH


If I show my surprise, I'll be discriminating against homo-sexuals
THAT ONCE THIS THIN, TRANS-PARENT

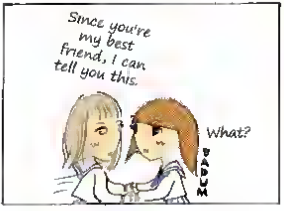

But acting to calm might be weird too...
CURTAIN COMES DOWN, IT'LL NEVER GO BACK UP.

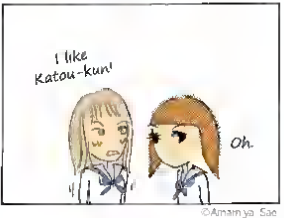

I thought that might be the case.
Oh, is that so?
You're not too surprised!


Whaaat?
Mmm, nothing
NO, I DON'T HAVE THE COUR-AGE TO DO IT YET.

In your school years, the most important thing is to find a best friend.

We're best friends, right?
Yes
No
Best Friend


Since you're my best friend, I can tell you this.
What?
Secret


I like Katou-kun!
Oh.

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THAT WAS MY MOTHER'S MANTRA
Be more lady like!

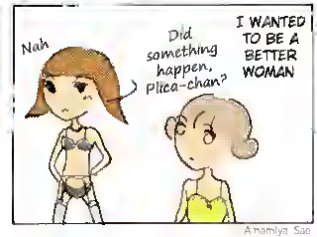
Be-cause I'm going to go take pic-tures
You're dressed up like a boy again!

For boys, riiight?
HEY, MOM, WHO SHOULD I BE LADYLIKE FOR?

High heels re-lly do make your legs look pretty.
BUT WHEN I MET MARI-CHAN,

Maybe I'll get a sleeveless top for once.
I THOUGHT, FOR THE FIRST TIME,

Oh, sexy!♥
THAT I WANTED TO BE A LITTLE MORE GIRLY--


Nah
Did something happen, Plica-chan?
I WANTED TO BE A BETTER WOMAN

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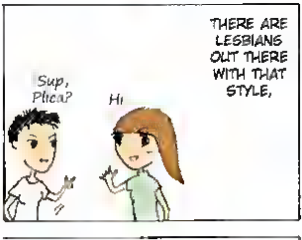
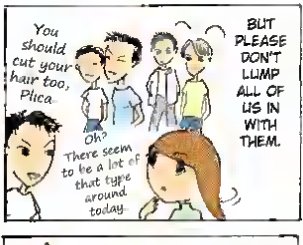
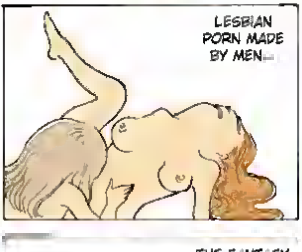
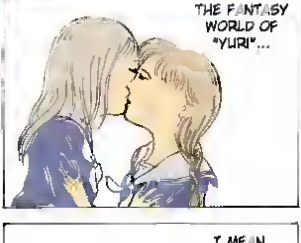
T-SHIRT, JEANS.
SHORT HAIR, NO MAKEUP, NO BRA.


THERE ARE LESBIANS OUT THERE WITH THAT STYLE,
Sup, Plica?
Hi

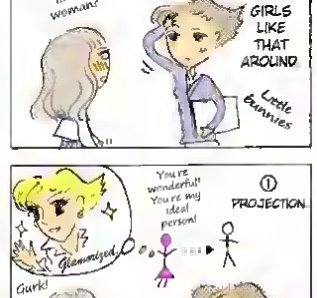

You should cut your hair too, Plica.
Oh? There seem to be a lot of that type around today.
BUT PLEASE DON'T LUMP ALL OF US IN WITH THEM.

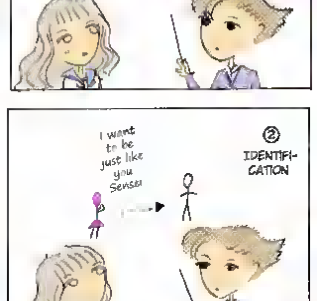

LESBIAN PORN MADE BY MEN...

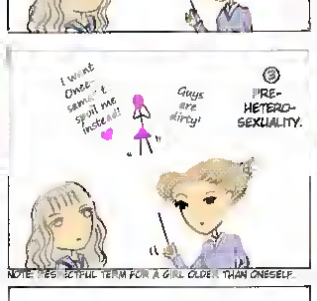

THE FANTASY WORLD OF "YURI"...

I MEAN, SURE, I SLEEP WITH THE PERSON I LOVE,

No way
Put it on, just once Please?
BUT PLEASE DON'T LUMP ME IN WITH THOSE THINGS.

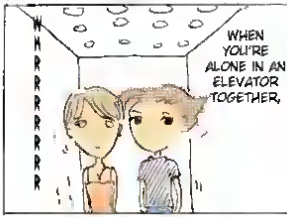






NOTE: "ONEE" IS A FEMINIZED TERM FOR A GIRL OLDER THAN ONESELF.

Thanks
That's a nice shirt!
I COMPLIMENT GIRLS
Oh, is it?
Wow! Your hair is so silky
OUT OF HABIT, WITHOUT THINKING.
This is my partner
Nice to meet you
How do you do?
I've heard so much about you
BUT AT TIMES LIKE THIS,
EEEEEE
You have such pretty skin
APPARENTLY I NEED TO BE MORE CAREFUL.


WHRRRRRRR
WHEN YOU'RE ALONE IN AN ELEVATOR TOGETHER,

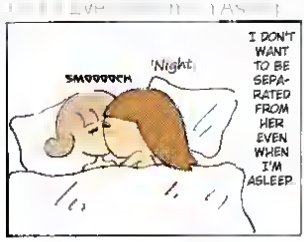
WHRRRRRRR
SMOOCH
DON'T YOU WANT TO KISS?
People will get on. nnh

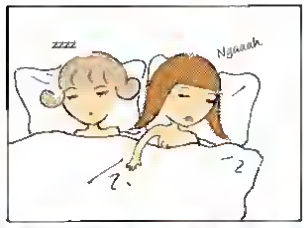
WHRRRRRRR
WHEN YOU'RE ALONE IN AN ELEVATOR,

Hoi
YOU DANCE AROUND, DON'T YOU?
Maybe not

Heeeeelp!
Ahh!
phew
Plica-chan, what's wrong? You okay?!
It's okay now
Waaaaah! I was so scaaaared!
Hey, Mari-chan, come wake me up
WHAT ARE YOU DOING, PLICA-CHAN?
Mmm

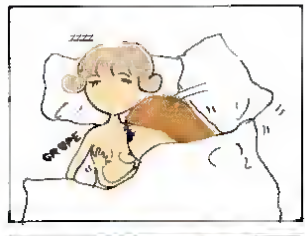
WHERE
IS THE G-SPOT?
G SPOT
Is it here? Hmmm?
Something on your mind?
It's nothing.
THE CLITORIS IS THE BIT THAT WOULD HAVE DEVELOPED INTO A PENIS, RIGHT?
YEAH, RIGHT.
CLITORIS
COULD INSERT IT.
Is this the right angle?
PUSH PUSH
Want to stop for the day?


SMOOOOCH
'Night.
I DON'T WANT TO BE SEPA-RATED FROM HER EVEN WHEN I'M ASLEEP.


zzzz
Nguuuh.

zzz
zzz
CASA

zzzz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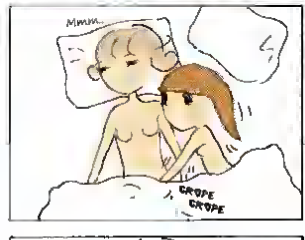
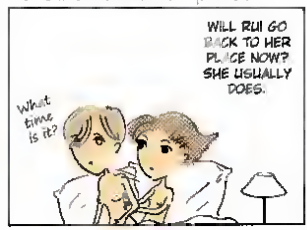
GROPE


Mmm..
GROPE
GROPE
HEY, BIGA-CHAN?

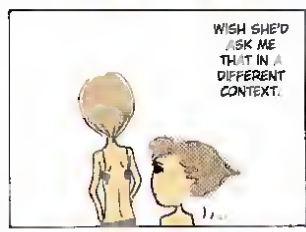
zzz
zzz
SLEEPING TOGETHER IS A LITTLE LONELY

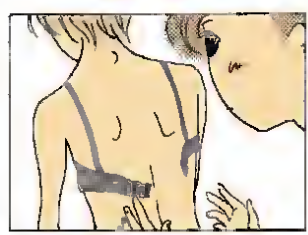
Oh that was just what I needed
OK
Mari-chan, would you rub some cream on me?
Ah Mari-chan.
REPEAT
EXCITED EXCITED
You can reach every-where else yourself, right?
'Night!
Done already?
Um

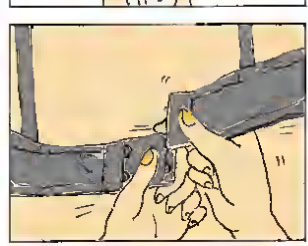
The Lesbian World
Undercover Reports
Oh, my Lezzies, hm?
WHAT WOULD SHE DO?
the number of people coming out has been increasing!!
Recently
IF I TOLD MY MOTHER I WAS A LESBIAN,
We're living together
I had a crush on a female teacher once way back when, too.
(1) I'D TAKE IT AS A JOKE.
I don't remember giving birth to any lesbians! How filthy!
(2) BLAME ME.
THWAP
ow
SLAM!
Stay away from me!
I must have raised you wrong
(3) BLAME HERSELF.
BZZZT
This is boring.
(4) PRETEND SHE DIDN'T HEAR ME.
Next up, the ultimate ramen
WHAT WOULD SHE DO?
Oh, ramen



NOTE: THE ORIGINAL PLAY ON WORDS HERE IS THAT RUI SAYS, "TOMETE," WHICH CAN MEAN EITHER "FASTEN IT," OR "LET ME STAY OVER."







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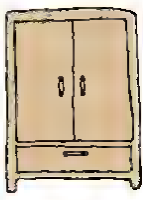

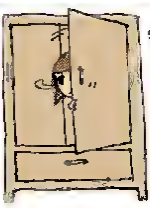

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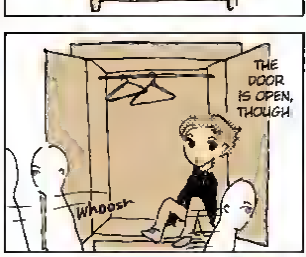
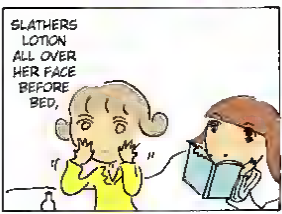
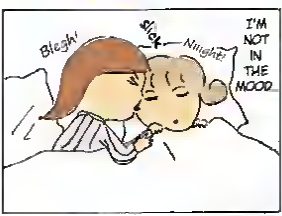
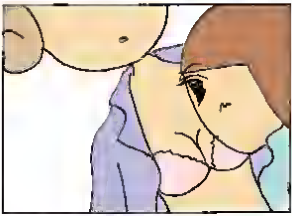


ON DAYS WHEN MARI-CHAN
Hurry up!

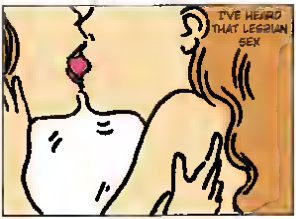

SLATHERS LOTION ALL OVER HER FACE BEFORE BED,

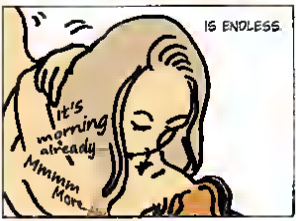

Blegh!
Slick
Nilighz!
I'M NOT IN THE MOOD

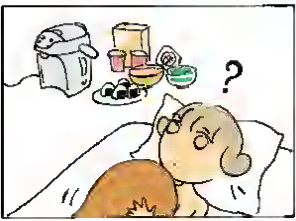


What's wrong? Are you stopping?
rush rush

I want to undo them again from the beginning


I'VE HEARD THAT LESBIAN SEX


IS ENDLESS
It's morning already
Mmmm More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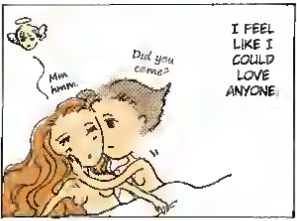
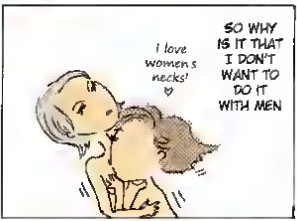
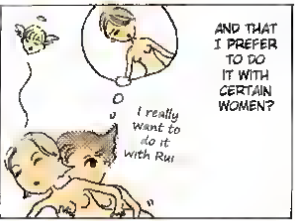
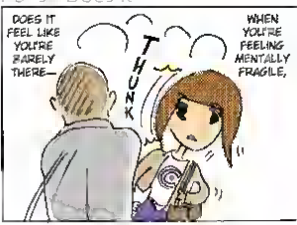
WHEN I'M DOING THIS,

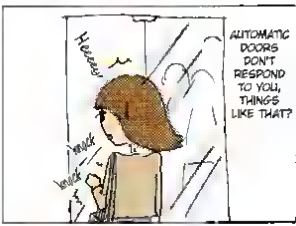

I FEEL LIKE I COULD LOVE ANYONE.
Did you come?
Mm hmm.


SO WHY IS IT THAT I DON'T WANT TO DO IT WITH MEN
I love women's necks! ♡


AND THAT I PREFER TO DO IT WITH CERTAIN WOMEN?
I really want to do it with Rui

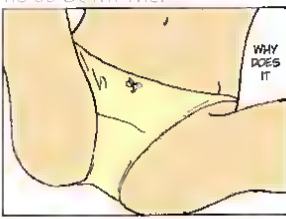

DOES IT FEEL LIKE YOU'RE BARELY THERE—
THUNK
WHEN YOU'RE FEELING MENTALLY FRAGILE,

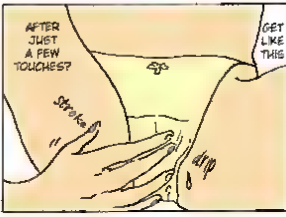
PEOPLE STEP ON YOUR FEET,
Squish

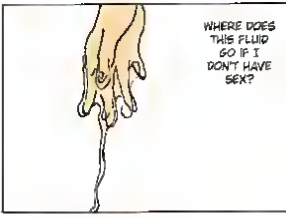

AUTOMATIC DOORS DON'T RESPOND TO YOU, THINGS LIKE THAT?
Hiiiiii
knock
knock

No
Does it?

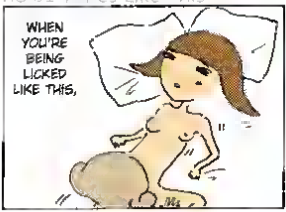
NOTE: IN THIS CASE, A FAMILIAR WAY TO ADDRESS ONE'S OLDER SISTER.


WHY DOES IT

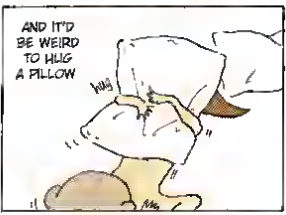

AFTER JUST A FEW TOUCHES?
GET LIKE THIS
Stroke
drip


WHERE DOES THIS FLUID GO IF I DON'T HAVE SEX?

I'm sleeeepy
so let's do it.
It can't be good for your health to store it up like that


WHEN YOU'RE BEING LICKED LIKE THIS,

DOESN'T THIS AREA FEEL A LITTLE LONELY?
Around here


AND IT'D BE WEIRD TO HUG A PILLOW
hug

hug
That's even weirder

Mm. I'm going home for the day
You don't really have to go yet, do you?

We both have to be up early tomorrow
How'd my bra end up there
We always do

Quick

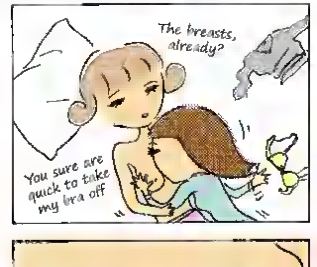
Mmm

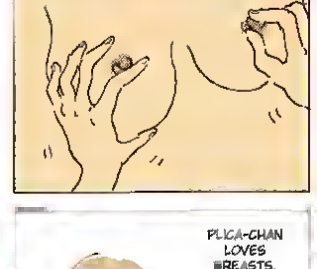
See you. Night.
AT TIMES LIKE THIS,

I CAN'T BE THE ONE TO ASK HER
What?
stare

Don't! You'll ruin my lipstick!
I'll just do it!
TO GIVE ME A KISS

IS THIS
You know Mari-chan
A "COMPLIMENT"?
you don't look like a lesbian
AND IS THIS
I can pretty much tell
"COMPREHENSION"?
you're a lesbian Saki


The breasts, already?
You sure are quick to take my bra off



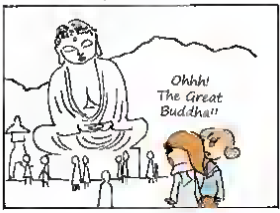
PUCA-CHAN LOVES BREASTS.
Mari-chan
lick lick
grope grope

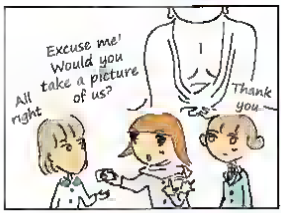
MAYBE THIS IS THE WAY SHE SEES ME?
No way

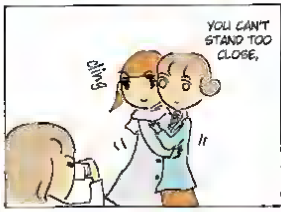
Squ- Squ-

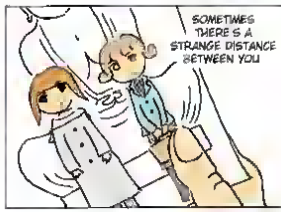
glide
?

I knew it
Mari-chan







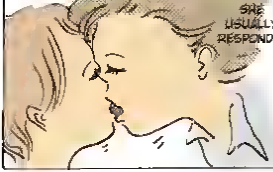


PLEASE CONTINUE TO SUPPORT ME THIS YEAR~!

I'M ALWAYS THE ONE WHO KISSES HER.
Mm
mmmm

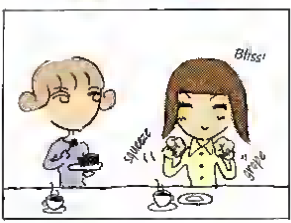
SMOOCH

SHE USUALLY RESPONDS,


Oh? You're not kissing back.
BUT IT MAKES ME A LITTLE NERVOUS TO BE THE ONE WHO ALWAYS INITIATES THINGS.

Corner
Want to get some pastries?
Sure.

One gâteau au chocolat
Two jumbo choux à la creme


Bliss!
squeez
squish

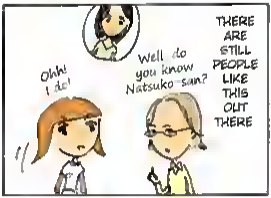
They're not like that yet, are they?

Wow!
Looks like he really likes it!

Sometimes he falls asleep while he is suckling
Oh?
He fell asleep

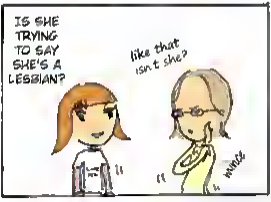
It's like he feels secure here
That must feel nice!
It's the best right?

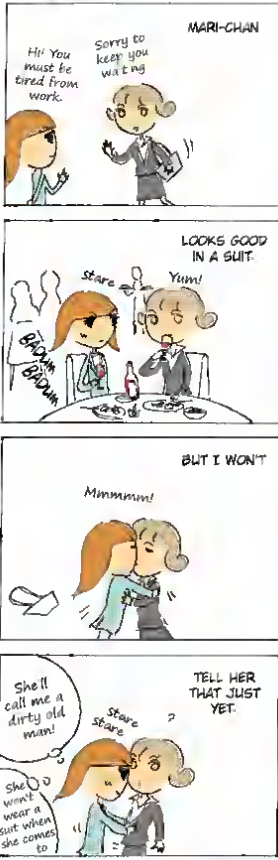
NOTE: OKAYU OFTEN SERVED TO PEOPLE WHO ARE SICK.

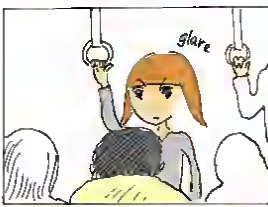

Ohh! I do!
Well do you know Natsuko-san?
THERE ARE STILL PEOPLE LIKE THIS OUT THERE

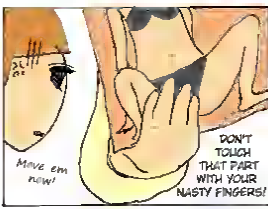
Wow It sure is a small world
I figured!

?
But you know she's-

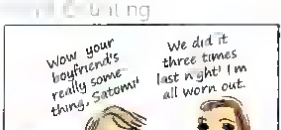

IS SHE TRYING TO SAY SHE'S A LESBIAN?
like that isn't she?
WHOA

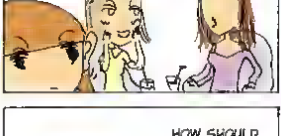

MARI-CHAN
Hi! You must be tired from work.
Sorry to keep you wa t ng
LOOKS GOOD IN A SUIT.
Stare
Yum!
BADUM BADUM
BUT I WON'T
Mmmmm!
She'll call me a dirty old man!
Stare Stare
TELL HER THAT JUST YET.
She wont wear a suit when she comes to


glare


Move em now!
DON'T TOUCH THAT PART WITH YOUR NASTY FINGERS!

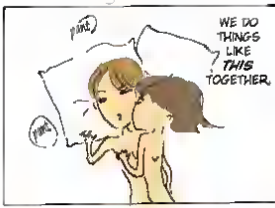
Whaaaaat?! You're a lesbian, Sensei?!!*
Uh-huh
Cooooo!
Really?
WILL THAT TIME COME SOON?
Well?
So my boyfriend...
Gimme a break!


Wow, your boyfriend's really something, Satomi!
We did it three times last night! I'm all worn out.


HOW SHOULD LESBIANS
ONCE

Once each?
TWICE?

THREE TIMES?
"Twice and once"...?
COUNT THE NUMBER OF TIMES?
Hmmm.



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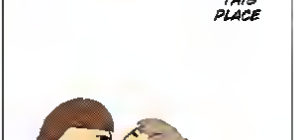
"THIS PLACE


ISN'T MADE JUST FOR PENISES."
Oh, I can spread them to the sides too?

I THINK THAT SOMETIMES
Plus, babies come out of here
And there's fist fucking and stuff too
No more Plica-chan!

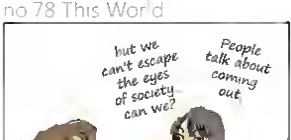
Amaniya Sue

STRAIGHT PEOPLE'S CONSIDERATION!
I heard it's a special issue on male nudes
Is that the latest issue?

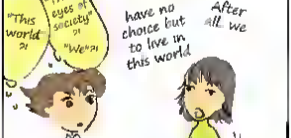
Whoo! Check out his butt!
Ooh! Nice body!

Oh!
Mmm, sexy!
I'm d...! ing...

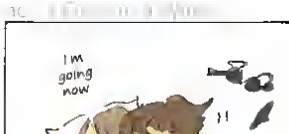
HUH? I WANT TO LOOK AT THEM...
Sorry! I'm sure you don't want to see men's bodies.
Oh, this doesn't do anything for you, huh, Saki?
If they have a lot muscles that is.

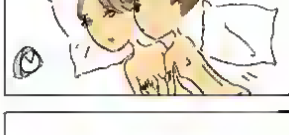

but we can't escape the eyes of society can we?
People talk about coming out

"This world"
"The eyes of society" or "We"?!
have no choice but to live in this world
After all, we


rustle rummage
After all

Who's "we"?
Go on and draw it for me then— "this world."
Draw "the eyes of society" too while you're at it


I'm going now


Niiight!
Take care.

look
look
look

Didn't even leave a toothbrush here, huh...
CAN'T SHE AT LEAST LEAVE SOMETHING HERE BY ACCIDENT ONCE IN A WHILE?
Just kidding

THE THING I MOST WANT TO SEE
Think they're a little too big?
Cuuute!
IS RUI IN MY PAJAMAS.
Night!
...THAT'S HOW IT'S SUPPOSED TO BE,
Thanks for the pajamas!
Sorry to impose on you out of the blue like this.
BUT..

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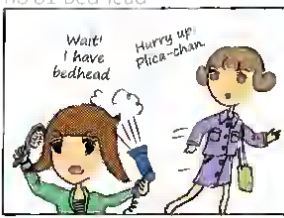

Wait! I have bedhead
Hurry up! Plica-chan.

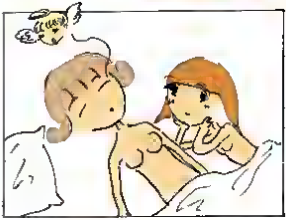
Give it here.
You'll do it for me?

Shh

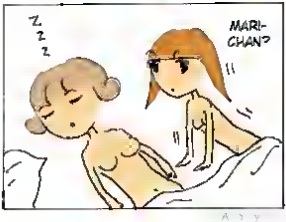
Let's gooo!

no 82 Nodding Off

Ah I'm coming!
pant


(((sigh)))

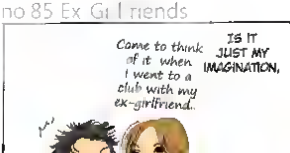
GOOD THING THAT DOESN'T HAPPEN WITH LESBIANS!
Right after men come they fall asleep with no regard for their partner
I know right?!

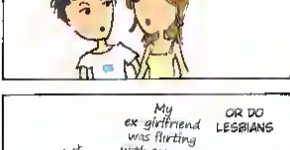

Z z z
MARI-CHAN?

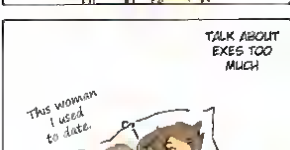
gab
gab
gab
chatter

It's a guy
Yo!
Long time no see!
Hello!

I WAS PRETTY HURT.
As a woman. >







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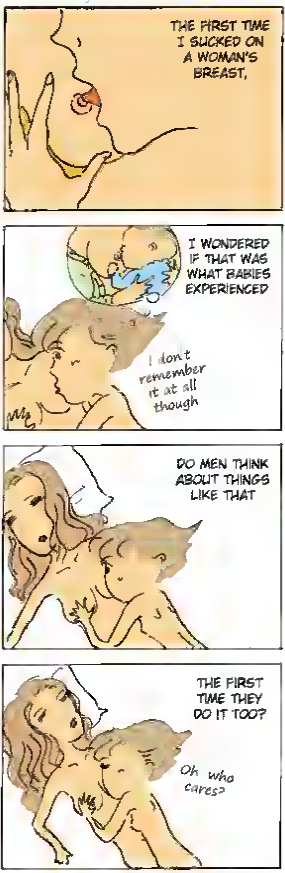
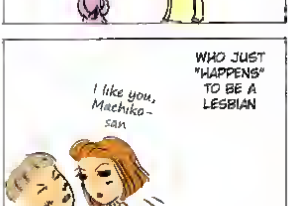
Now for the spinach
Ooooh!
Oooh! A bundle of booobs!
Hey!
But
Now that I think about it
DEFEAT?
I never noticed
Keep it down!
dmp
dmp


THE FIRST TIME I SUCKED ON A WOMAN'S BREAST,
I WONDERED IF THAT WAS WHAT BABIES EXPERIENCED
I don't remember it at all though
DO MEN THINK ABOUT THINGS LIKE THAT
THE FIRST TIME THEY DO IT TOO?
Oh who cares?

I'LL MEET A WONDERFUL WOMAN


WHO JUST "HAPPENS" TO BE A LESBIAN
I like you, Machiko-san

AND WE'LL "SOMEHOW" END UP TOGETHER.
If only that would happen.
Machiko-san
Oh my~!

Hey, you got lucky like that Plica!
Stop talking about what-ifs and go out and do something
What?!

blub
blub
blub
swiiiiff
Mmm
It smells
good
blub
blub
!
Coffee is so
goo when
someone else
makes it!
Make me
some too,
Plica-chan
WHEN YOU
MAKE IT
YOURSELF,
IT DOESN'T
SMELL THAT
GOOD, SO...
seem
to
blub
blub
tmp
tmp
tmp
tmp
thud
swiiiiff
k-chk

THE *PLICA-CHAN* ANIMATED MOVIE HAS FINALLY BEEN COMPLETED THANKS TO ITS MANY SUPPORTERS

IT WILL BE SHOWN AT THE TOKYO INTERNATIONAL LESBIAN & GAY FILM FESTIVAL ON JULY 18TH (SATURDAY)!

PLEASE COME AND SEE IT~!

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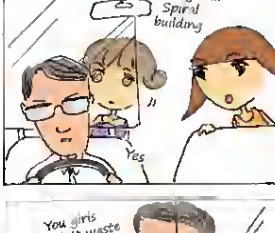
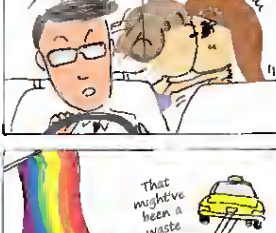
pc 90 Let's Go to the Film Festival



You need to hurry up and find good men if you don't want to end up old maids
I thought there were lesbians like h... out there these days...



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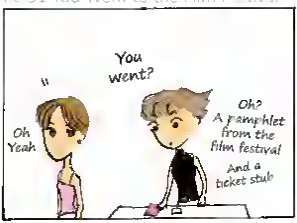
I'M TRULY GRATEFUL TO ALL THE PEOPLE WHO CAME TO SEE ***PLICA-CHAN*** AT THE TOKYO INTERNATIONAL LEGO FILM FESTIVAL AND TO EVERYONE WHO CHEERED US ON AS WE WERE PRODUCING IT! WE'RE CURRENTLY MAKING DVDS OF IT SO IF YOU MISSED SEEING IT, PLEASE FEEL FREE TO GET ONE!

91 You Went to the Film Festival?



"I'D LIKE TO THANK EVERYONE WHO WENT AND SAW *PLICA-CHAN* AT THE KANSAI QUEER FILM FESTIVAL!!"

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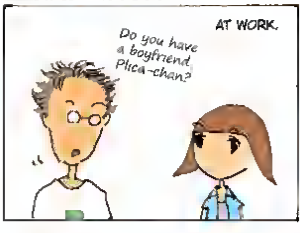
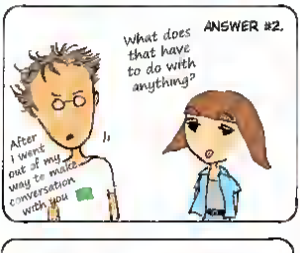
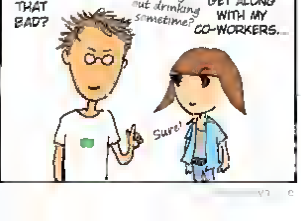


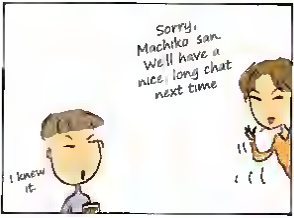




I won't even go home tonight!
Y'know, men are such a pain in the butt!
Uh-huh
Uh-huh
Slurp

Oh my phone.
Men are just...
vvvvvv...

?!
Yeah. I was just about to leave
Oh! Kouji!


Sorry, Machiko san. We'll have a nice, long chat next time
I knew it

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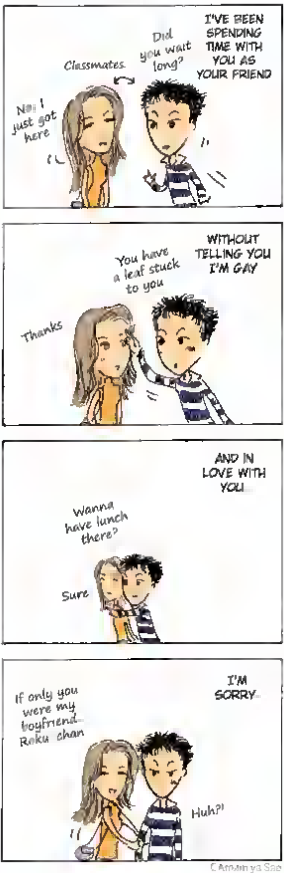
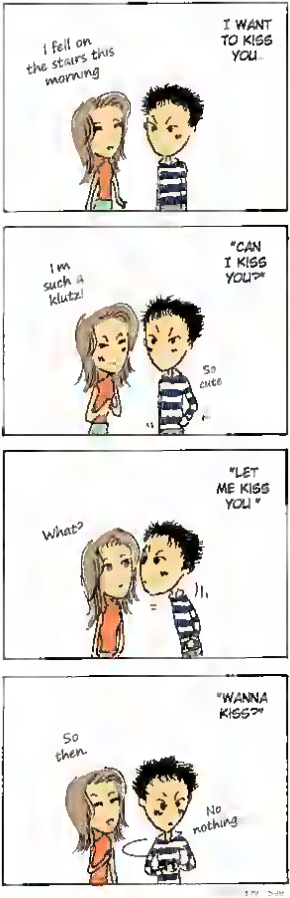

Classmates
Did you wait long?
I'VE BEEN SPENDING TIME WITH YOU AS YOUR FRIEND
No! I just got here
WITHOUT TELLING YOU I'M GAY
You have a leaf stuck to you
Thanks
AND IN LOVE WITH YOU
Wanna have lunch there?
Sure
I'M SORRY
If only you were my boyfriend Reiku chan
Huh?!


I fell on the stairs this morning
I WANT TO KISS YOU.
I'm such a klutz!
"CAN I KISS YOU?"
So cute
What?
"LET ME KISS YOU."
So then.
"WANNA KISS?"
No nothing

Hm? Who?
And then Yuuichi-kun...

Oh, a friend of mine. He's gay
Huh ?
Straight

So, my gay friend Yuuichi-kun...
Urk

IF I CAME OUT TO HER...
Hmm?
My friend Plica...

I THINK (I BET!) SHE'D TALK ABOUT ME
Huuuh? So they do exist!
Oh, Plica's a lesbian.

LIKE THAT.
So, my lezzie friend Plica...

THOUGH I DO IT TOO.
Hmm? And what did that gay man do?
Well...

They're having a festival

Two please, sir
Oh! That takes me back!
You betcha.

Hey, let me borrow that later
?

Why not?
No
Because!

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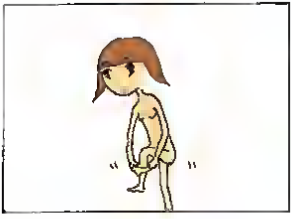

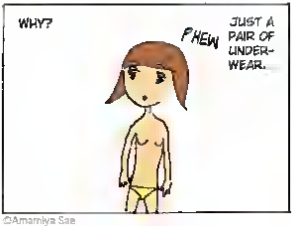

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Want to check out an event at a club?
What are clubs like???
WHAT SHOULD I WEAR?
Her one pair of pants.
Lame
Poofy short shorts
You came straight from work?
Sorry I made you wait!
IN THE END...

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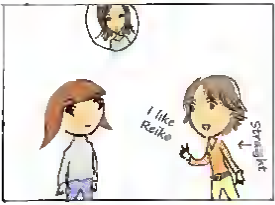
I like Reiko
Straight

Oh! But not in a weird way

Oh! But not in a weird way
snip
snip
snip
snip

And what sort of way is that?
a weird way

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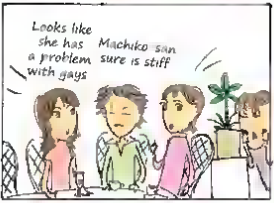
You know those two look gay

Yeah They give off that vibe
You can just kind of tell
whisper whisper

stiff.


Looks like she has a problem with gays
Machiko-san sure is stiff

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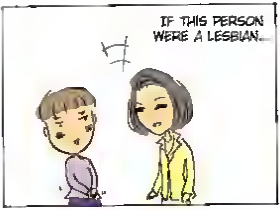

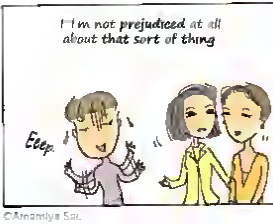

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LOVE FOR TODAY!
NEXT YEAR'S LOVE FOR TODAY!!

Hmm Libra is
flip flip
NEXT YEAR'S LOVE FORTUNES

Use the 7-Star fortune-telling method to discover your future!
The sun
Fast rotation
Then rotation
and rotation
For the Zero fortune-telling method itself, determine your destiny using any of the following equations
1:3+1=5+
Chart

THESE DAYS FORTUNE-TELLING IN MAGAZINES IS A PAIN IN THE BUTT, ISN'T IT?
Forget it!

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Ohhh? I didn't know that

That does seem to be the case

Oh nothing
What're you doing?

I heard the number of homosexuals has been increasing lately
Ohhh. really?
APPARENTLY → SHE'S BEEN PREPARING FOR CONVERSATIONS LIKE THIS.

no 106 Keeping Warm

©Amanda See

I've got it really
I'll carry that for you

I'm fine
All right there?

Machiko-san, would you like me to carry that?
stagger

Sorry for the trouble~_~
squeeze

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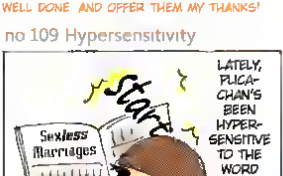
no 108 Fallout?

Inamiga Sae

MY SINCERE THANKS TO EVERYONE WHO WENT TO SEE *PLICA-CHAN* AT THE KAGAWA RAINBOW FILM FESTIVAL AND THE OSAKA INTERNATIONAL WOMEN MAKE SISTER WAVES FILM FESTIVAL!

UNFORTUNATELY, I WASN'T ABLE TO ATTEND MYSELF BUT I'D LIKE TO CONGRATULATE THE ORGANIZERS AND STAFF ON A JOB WELL DONE AND OFFER THEM MY THANKS!

no 109 Hypersensitivity



* A SEGMENT OF A TV SHOW

WOULD IT STILL BE BETTER TO COME OUT?
The truth is I like women
You're the worst. Plica!
I knew it
Why didn't you tell me before?
Huh?
I guess we weren't friends after all
Hmph!
Sacchan

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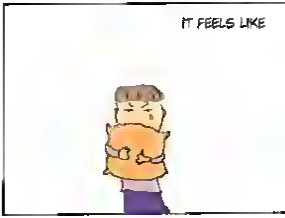
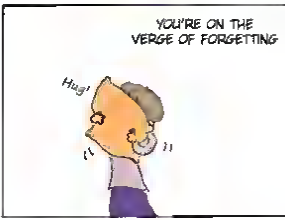
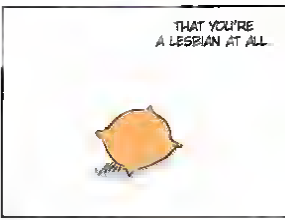
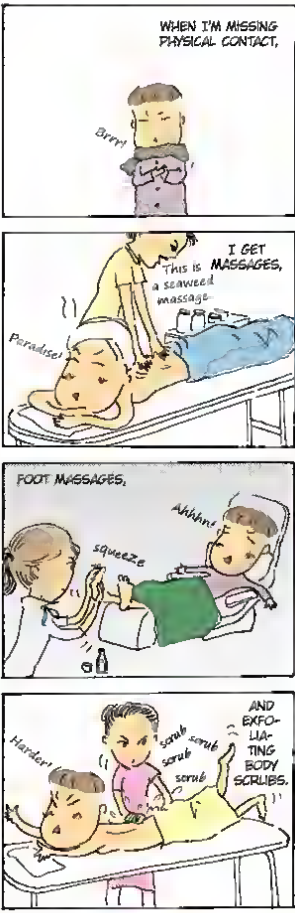
WHEN YOU HAVE THIS MUCH TROUBLE GETTING A GIRLFRIEND
I don't even have a crush on anyone right now


IT FEELS LIKE


YOU'RE ON THE VERGE OF FORGETTING
Hug!


THAT YOU'RE A LESBIAN AT ALL

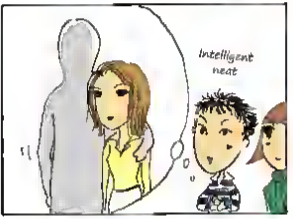
no 112 Warmth



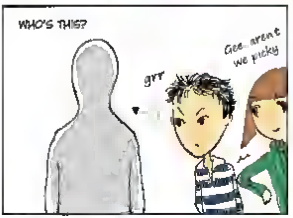
BEST WISHES FOR THE NEW YEAR!

May this be the year I get
clap
clap
May the Plica-chan movie be shown abroad a lot!
smack
a girlfriend
May many people buy the Plica-chan DVD!
smack
A girl
We're desperate!
But first I'd like a girlfriend
Publication as a book!
I wish for it to be shown in big theaters and stuff

!!?
what type of girls do you like koku-chan?
Hey, hey


Intelligent
neat

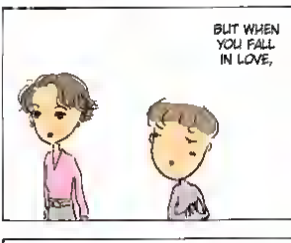
a little glamorous

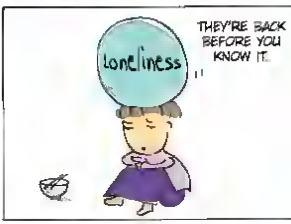

WHO'S THIS?
grr
Gee, aren't we picky

WHEN YOU'VE BEEN ALONE FOR A LONG TIME,
Oh, did I have ramen yesterday too?
I slacked off today

IT'S LIKE YOU'VE MISPLACED
It's easier when you just have yourself to look after
S A H

YOUR FEELINGS OF LONELINESS.
It's over there?


BUT WHEN YOU FALL IN LOVE,


Loneliness
THEY'RE BACK BEFORE YOU KNOW IT.

WHEN YOU PUT THEM AWAY FOR A WHILE,
Loneliness

THEY GO OFF SOMEWHERE AGAIN.

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I SHUT MY LONELINESS AWAY IN A DRAWER.
BUT I'M STILL LONELY ANYWAY
rub rub
mmm
Mm
Gurk!
What happened to you?
I can't get them off.

* FUTON: BEDDING. "O-" IS A RESPECTFUL PREFIX.

I'VE DISCOVERED THAT WHEN I'M SO DEPRESSED
gloooooom

THAT I CAN'T EVEN CRY.
I have to eat though.

HAVING AN ONION
MAKE MY EYES WATER
thunk
thunk
thunk

MAKES ME FEEL KIND OF OKAY AGAIN
Oh? I feel a little better now.
bubble bubble

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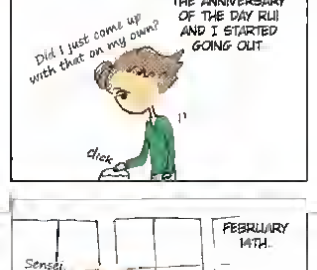
Whaaat?
On the 14th?
You can't possibly get out of it?
Well call me again later


FEBRUARY 14TH IS THE ANNIVERSARY OF THE DAY RUI AND I STARTED GOING OUT
Did I just come up with that on my own?
click

FEBRUARY 14TH..
Sensei, please accept this.
Senseee!!
squeal

ding dooooong
wait!

Express delivery!

Dear Sempai,
I knitted you a scarf this year.
I'm married now, with children.
We graduated from high school 10 years ago!

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RUI HASN'T CALLED ME IN A MONTH.
She said she'd call
So I shouldn't call her...
fret
fret

IT DOESN'T WORK.
irritated
I'll try some hot wine
Brrr...

NEITHER DOES THIS.
Just gotta get through it.
hug

Plicaaa, can I come over? I won't get in your way, will I?

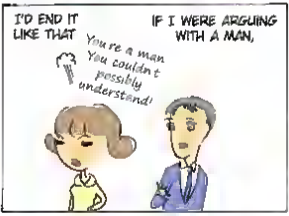
What's wrong? You never come over
Mmm

I'll open the wine.

THIS... MIGHT WORK

You couldn't possibly understand!
Huh?

IN THIS SORT OF SITUATION,
I'm not crying!


I'D END IT LIKE THAT
IF I WERE ARGUING WITH A MAN,
You're a man You couldn't possibly understand!

I SUPPOSE THAT MEANS I'M FACING MYSELF

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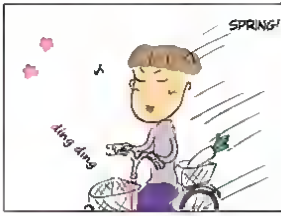
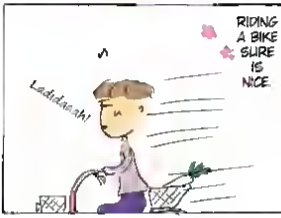
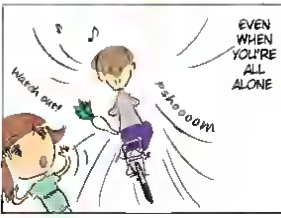

SPRING!
ding dong


RIDING A BIKE SURE IS NICE
Lalalaaah!

AFTER ALL, IT MAKES YOU LOOK LIKE YOU'RE HAVING FUN
Lalalaaah
Brooooom


EVEN WHEN YOU'RE ALL ALONE
Watch out!
Whoooom

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THAT'S A GOOD QUESTION
Saki, why do you like women?

When I'm with a woman it's like I feel more at ease.

So you hate men then
There it comes

Mm hmm
I just naturally end up choosing women.

Oh I get it! You want to be a man

No, it's more like
No?
Um

IT'S SOMETHING I JUST CAN'T EXPLAIN.
Huh? You're a man Saki? Huh? ?
I want to be a woman That's what it is!

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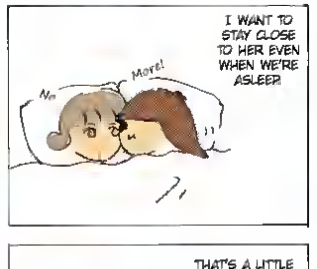
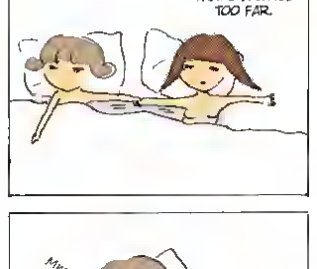

I WANT TO STAY CLOSE TO HER EVEN WHEN WE'RE ASLEEP
No
More!


THAT'S A LITTLE TOO FAR.

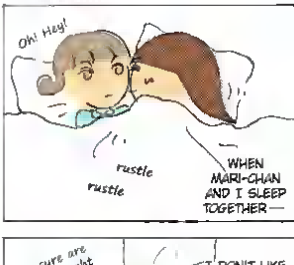
Mmmm.
Z
Z
Z

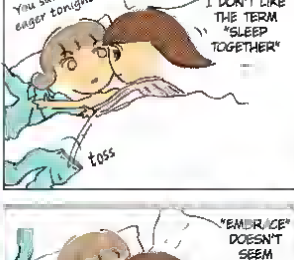
WHEN SHE USES MY ARM AS A PILLOW
Your arm will fall asleep
I'll be fine.

Mmmm
Mmmm

THE INSIDE ARMS GET IN THE WAY.

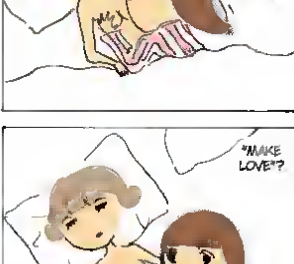
Let's just do it again!


Oh! Hey!
rustle
rustle
WHEN MARI-CHAN AND I SLEEP TOGETHER—

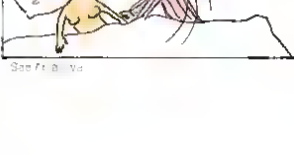

You sure are eager tonight
I DON'T LIKE THE TERM "SLEEP TOGETHER"
toss

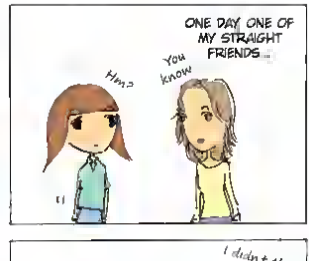
"EMBRACE" DOESN'T SEEM QUITE RIGHT.

"HAVE SEX" IS FOR WHAT A MAN AND A WOMAN DO TOGETHER.
Probably


"FOOL AROUND" DOESN'T SEEM STRONG ENOUGH.

"MAKE LOVE"?


WHAT SHOULD I CALL IT?
Oh! Wait!
ZZZZ



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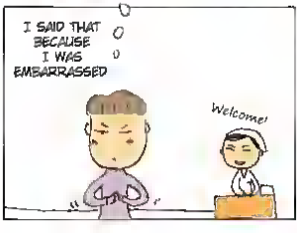
Sushi is nice once in a while
Welcome

This one please
Yes ma'am Thanks for your business!

One pair of chopsticks, correct?

Two please!


I SAID THAT BECAUSE I WAS EMBARRASSED
Welcome!

These, please
Yes ma'am Thanks for your business!

WHY IS THERE ONLY ONE PAIR?!

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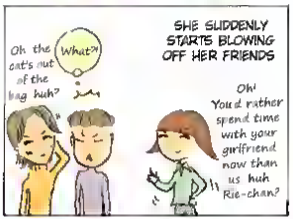
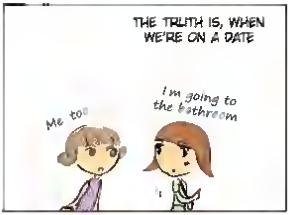
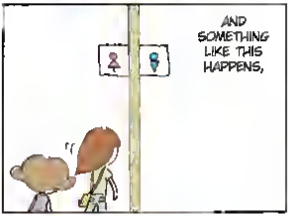
THEY SAY THAT WHEN SOMEONE GETS A GIRLFRIEND
Oh. I have something I have to do
Sure!
Want to go to a bar this Friday?


SHE SUDDENLY STARTS BLOWING OFF HER FRIENDS
Oh the cat's out of the bag huh?
What?!
Oh! You'd rather spend time with your girlfriend now than us huh Rie-chan?

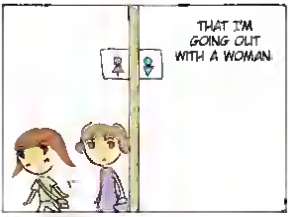
MACHIKO-SAN tried PRETENDING TO HAVE A GIRLFRIEND
The day after might be out too
That day isn't really good for me.
Um...

What's wrong?
Are you not feeling well?
Are you okay Machiko-san?!


THE TRUTH IS, WHEN WE'RE ON A DATE
I'm going to the bathroom
Me too


AND SOMETHING LIKE THIS HAPPENS,

IT REALLY HITS HOME


THAT I'M GOING OUT WITH A WOMAN.

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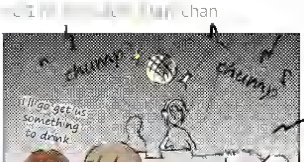
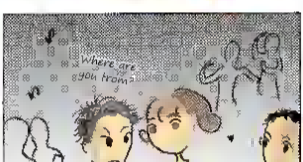
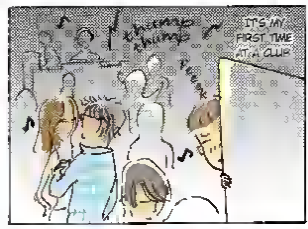
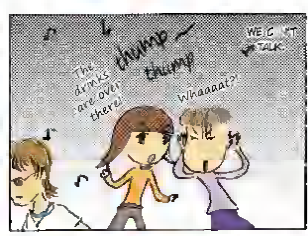

chuuup
chuuup
I'll go get us something to drink
Please do

No, it's my first time!
Hey, do you come here often?

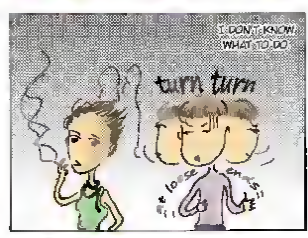
Where are you from?


A Cassis Soda and a Moscow Mule
M...M-CH-N-W IS H..WING QUITE GOOD TIME
Get lost.


thirteen thumps
IT'S MY FIRST TIME AT A CLUB

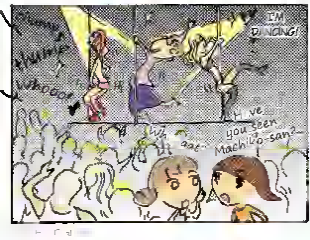

WE CAN'T TALK
This drink are over there!
thump ~ thump
Whaaaat?

THERE'S NOWHERE TO SIT DOWN
Plus we're standing


I DON'T KNOW WHAT TO DO
turn turn
to face enemies

I CAN'T CALL ANYONE UP
My fifth drink

I'LL TRY DANCING INSTEAD


I'M DANCING!
thump thump
I've been Machiko-sana~

Final Strip: Departing on a Fine Day

MY SINCERE THANKS TO ALL OF YOU FOR READING PUGA AND, AND, I'M TRULY GRATEFUL TO KITAHARA-SAN FOR ACCEPTING IT AS A COLUMN ON THE LOVE PIECE CLUB SITE, WHICH I ADMIRE

LPC SUPPORTED ME AS I TOOK ON THE NEW CHALLENGE OF CREATING AN ANIMATED MOVIE, AND I GOT A BIG BOOST OF POWER FROM THE WONDERFUL WOMEN I GOT TO KNOW

YOU'RE AMAZING, LPC!

PLEASE LET ME CONTINUE TO SUPPORT YOU AS JUST ANOTHER LPC FAN!

UNTIL WE MEET AGAIN SOMEDAY
THANK YOU!

AMAMIYA SAE

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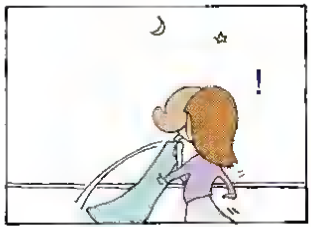

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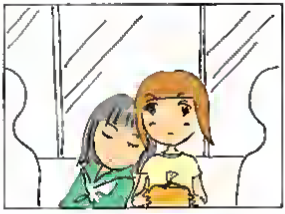

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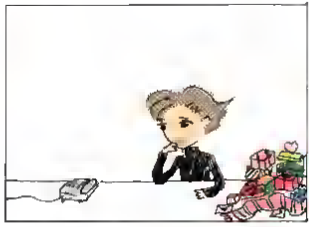

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